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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA SOUTH BEND DIVISION

SUSAN LYNCH, MATH-U-SEE INDIANA,

INC., LISA ANGLE, JIM ANGLE, PAULA :

HOLMES and : Civil Action No. 3:11-CV-233-JD-CAN

MATH-U-SEE OREGON, INC.,

Plaintiffs

:

MATH-U-SEE, INC., STEVE DEMME,

ETHAN DEMME,

v.

Defendants

## DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS IN PART PLAINTIFFS' SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendants, Math-U-See, Inc., Steven Demme, and Ethan Demme, move the Court, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6), to dismiss Counts V through X of Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint, and in support thereof state as follows:

- 1. Plaintiffs' claims arise from their disagreement with the way in which the distributor relationship with Math-U-See, Inc. ended.
- 2. The Plaintiffs agreed, in their Distributor Agreements with Math-U-See, Inc., that their business relationship "shall be governed by the laws of the State of Pennsylvania." (Second Amended Complaint (hereinafter "SAC"), Ex. A ¶ 7, Doc. 48).
- 3. Despite this choice of law provision, Plaintiffs have attempted to insert extraneous claims under Indiana, Idaho, and Tennessee law, respectively. (*See* SAC Counts VI-VIII).

- 4. Plaintiffs have also attempted to insert extraneous claims by re-casting their breach of contract claims as tort claims. (See SAC Counts V, IX, and X).
  - 5. Plaintiffs' extraneous claims should be dismissed.
- 6. Additionally, Plaintiffs' claims at Counts V, VII, and VIII should be dismissed for failure to state a basis upon which relief may be granted.

THEREFORE, Defendants, Math-U-See, Inc., Steven Demme, and Ethan Demme, respectfully request that the Court enter an Order dismissing, with prejudice, Counts V through X of Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint.

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